IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Baker

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ELECTRICAL CIRCUIT BOARD AND A METHOD FOR MAKING THE SAME

Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks

Washington, D.C. 20231

RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION (ELECTION/RESTRICTION)

The Applicants' undersigned attorney thanks the Examiner for a kind and thorough review of the Application. In the Office Action mailed 09/07/01, the Examiner has indicated that an election/restriction is required. Applicants hereby elect Species D, drawn to Fig. 4(a)-4(e) of Invention II as described in the Office Action and assert that claims 8 - 20 read upon elected species D of Invention II. Namely, Figure 4 depicts the insertion of a solder material within an aperture formed in a first pre-circuit assembly. Figure 4 also depicts the punching of tabs to extend into said the aperture. This election is made without waiving the right to file divisional applications on the non-elected Claims.

IN THE CLAIMS

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Please cancel non-elected claims 1 - 7.

If the Examiner has any further questions regarding this matter, please feel free to call the Applicants' undersigned attorney at (248) 865-9588.

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